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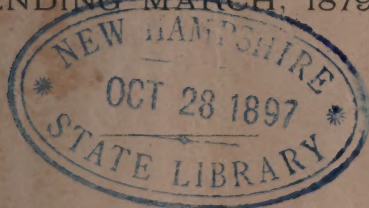
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SELETMENS' REPORT.

Town of Candia in account with the Selectmen.

Dr.

PAUPER EXPENSES.

Paid J. L. Barker, goods for Mrs. W. G. Fitts,	\$3 00
D. Young, medical attendance on Marcellus Morrison,	3 75
D. Young, medical attendance on Hannah Turner,	12 00
D. Young, medical attendance on Geo. E. Langley,	20 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Otis Woodward,	3 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Dudley Lougee,	3 89
Frank P. Brown, goods for William A. George,	3 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Otis Woodward,	7 89
Frank P. Brown, goods for Marcellus Morrison,	3 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Daniel Hartford,	4 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Rachel Rollo,	4 71

Paid Chas. F. Gillis, goods and transporting the family to Manchester, . . .	\$7 00
Thomas J. Cate, expense and boarding G. E. Langley,	8 00
Ira B. Ordway, boarding and nursing G. E. Langley,	35 00
B. J. Sanborn, goods furnished Mrs. Daniel Hartford,	9 15
W. J. Dudley, house rent and goods for Mrs. Robie,	26 00
W. J. Dudley, goods furnished Freeman Abert,	3 72
W. J. Dudley, school books for poor children,	1 20
A. A. Whittredge, goods furnished Louis Jasper,	5 00
J. C. Langford, boarding and nursing J. B. Roberts,	12 00
G. C. Lang & Son, goods furnished Otis Woodward,	2 00
G. C. Lang & Son, goods furnished Peter St. Johns,	2 00
G. C. Lang & Son, goods furnished Mitchel Riverts,	2 00
Town of Raymond, support of Almon L. Dearborn,	5 37
Dr. Gould, medical attendance on J. B. Roberts,	10 00
F. P. Langford, 2 cords wood for Eben Morrill,	9 00
Frank P. Brown, goods for Eben Morrill,	21 60
Mrs. E. R. Thompson, nursing Mrs. Eben Morrill,	6 00
Jefferson Healey, boarding Mrs. Daniel Hartford,	15 00

Paid Frank P. Brown, goods for J. B. Roberts,	\$5 75
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid J. H. Philbrick for tramps' fare,	7 60
Geo. W. Robinson, keeping 52 tramps,	39 00
P. W. Sanborn, keeping 52 tramps,	56 60
Maria P. Turner, house rent and care of Hannah Turner,	26 00
Maria P. Turner, nursing Hannah Turner while sick,	12 00
E. R. Ingalls, cash and goods furnished Gamaliel Drew, by order of county commissioners,	84 00
John Ewer, 3 cords of wood for Mrs. W. G. Fitts,	16 50
P. W. Sanborn, time and expense moving Geo. E. Langley,	1 50
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	\$497 23

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid J. L. Barker, powder and fuse furnished Orestes J. Bean,	\$1 50
S. F. Colcord, for plank for Island bridge,	11 50
Dudley Lougee, 3 2-10 days labor on highway,	3 20
A. L. Barker, 18 days and $7\frac{2}{3}$ hours labor on highway,	28 15
James A. Heath, 1 day cutting bushes on highway,	1 00
Geo. J. Dearborn, 1 day cutting bushes on highway,	1 00

Paid I. S. Lang, working non-resident tax of Nathan Pulsifer,	\$1 02
Joseph Hubbard, repairing bridge on Merrill road,	2 50
Joseph Hubbard, working non-resi- dent taxes,	2 93
Chas. C. Conner, labor on highway, .	6 87
O. I. Bean, working out O. Hall's non-resident tax,	5 72
A. L. Barker, labor on highway, .	2 63
D. S. Bean, 19 days labor on highway	28 50
“ 8 “ of oxen “ .	12 00
J. F. Hackett, sharpening drills and picks,	1 00
Frank P. Brown, lumber and labor on Island bridge,	17 27
Joseph Watson, for use of tools on highway,	1 50
P. W. Sanborn, 3 2-10 days labor on highway,	4 80
M. B. Morrison, 4-10 of days labor on highway,	40
Dudley Lougee, 1 8-10 days labor on highway,	1 80
B. B. Aldrich, 8-10 days labor on high- way,	80
D. D. McDonald, repairing washout,	6 50
John W. Bean, repairing highway, .	6 55
John P. Cate, cutting bushes and rail- ing road,	1 75
Joseph Hubbard, repairing washout in District 9,	5 00
Frank P. Langford, labor on highway,	4 50
J. C. Hobbs, repairing Boston road,	12 25
E. E. Smith, labor on highway, .	5 25

Paid Jesse R. Fitts, 3½ days labor on highway,	\$5 25
A. L. Barker, labor on highway,	1 13
Lowell F. McDuffee, furnishing guide-boards,	4 50
Parker M. Towle, furnishing guide boards,	1 00
Chas. A. Boone, painting guide-boards,	3 00
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid for spikes for Boston bridge,	55
E. R. Ingalls, 7 days labor on highway,	7 00
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid Joseph Taylor for 10 2-10 days on highway,	10 20
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid Geo. W. Marden, 7 7-10 days on highway,	7 70
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid Adoniron J. Rowe, labor on highway,	3 45
Patrick Donnelly, for labor on highway,	3 20
Lewis F. Bussell, 6 days labor on highway,	6 00
Horace H. Small, 6 days labor on highway,	6 00
Isaiah S. Lang, labor on highway,	3 00
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	\$239 87

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Temple & Farrington, for 30 highway surveyor's books,	\$2 30
Temple & Farrington, 2 blank books,	30
Temple & Farrington, 1 Col. book,	90
Temple & Farrington, 1 pamphlet laws,	87
Temple & Farrington, 2 invoice books	90

Paid Campbell & Hanscom, printing 500 town orders,	\$3 00
Campbell & Hanscom, printing 450 town reports,	28 75
Cong. Society, cleaning vestry for town meeting,	10 00
Edward S. Berry, recording deaths and births,	5 00
Lewis Remoe, repairing hearse and grave tools,	5 10
J. C. Cline & Co., 14 maps of New Hampshire,	70 00
French Smith, maintaining watering place,	3 00
A. L. Barker, maintaining pound, . .	5 00
A. S. Sanborn, sheep killed by dogs, .	5 00
G. W. Barker, maintaining watering place in 1876,	3 00
S. C. Merrill, bounty on 5 hawks, . .	1 00
Temple & Farrington, one invoice book,	60
Temple & Farrington, one gen. laws, .	5 00
Cornelius Driscoll, loss of sheep by dogs,	4 00
True Eaton, tolling and striking bell and care of hearse,	20 00
Luther S. Munroe, special police one day,	1 00
Charles H. Smith, maintaining water- ing place,	3 00
Frank P. Brown, cash paid bounty on hawks,	2 00
P. W. Sanborn, cash paid bounty on fox and hawks,	90
Charles H. Turner, bounty on 3 foxes .	1 50
Thomas B. Turner, bounty on 2 foxes .	1 00

Paid Manson H. Roberts, bounty on 3 foxes,	\$1 50
Parker M. Towle, repairing hearse,	75
Frank P. Langford, special police one day,	1 00
J. C. Hobbs, bounty on 2 hawks,	40
John P. Cate, bounty on 1 hawk,	20
John P. French, damage on sheep by dogs,	4 00
George Brown, sheep killed by dogs,	4 00
J. C. Hobbs, check-lists and expenses on same,	6 46
Cyrus W. Truell, sheep killed by dogs,	8 00
George E. Eaton, maintaining water- ing place,	3 00
Moses French, maintaining watering place,	3 00
John A. Bachelder, damage on sleigh on highway,	2 00
Frank W. Eaton, services as Town Clerk,	40 00
Charles S. Bickford, damage on sheep by dogs,	8 00
E. R. Ingalls, 4 days at Hooksett on road case,	4 00
Hearse to Hooksett 4 times,	4 00
Cash paid for 16 meals,	8 00
Cash paid for tele- graphing,	50
Cash paid for station- ery and stamps,	3 18
Cash paid John B. Clarke for printing,	1 25

Paid E. R. Ingalls, 5 days, and car fare to Manchester,	\$8 50
2 days, car fare and ex- pense to Portsmouth	5 20
3 days and car fare and expense to Ex- eter,	7 50
1 day and expense to Deerfield,	1 50
2 days and horse to Raymond,	3 00
Charles R. Rowe, purchasing and posting school notices,	2 00
Charles R. Rowe, services as superin- tending school committee,	40 00
Addison S. Smith, damage on carriage by defect in highway,	8 00
P. W. Sanborn, 2 days and expenses to Pittsfield to settle with Annie L. Lake for damage on highway,	6 00
P. W. Sanborn, notifying landowners on road case,	9 00
P. W. Sanborn, 1 day and expenses to Portsmouth,	3 00
P. W. Sanborn, 2 days and expenses to Hooksett,	2 45
Manson H. Roberts, bounty on 2 foxes,	1 00
J. W. Critchett, bounty on 3 foxes,	1 50
E. R. Ingalls, services as Selectman and Treasurer,	75 00
P. W. Sanborn, services as Selectman and Treasurer,	50 00
F. P. Brown, services as Selectman and Treasurer,	50 00

Paid F. P. Brown; time and cash paid out at Hooksett,	\$10 00
William R. Patten, services as per bill,	2 00
Samuel Gile, maintaining watering place,	3 00
Charles A. Boone, painting and var- nishing hearse,	15 00
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid Chas. H. Parks, bounty on fox,	50
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid burying horse,	2 00
E. R. Ingalls, cash paid for meals when taking inventory and mak- ing taxes,	11 00
Dudley Harriman, for damage on wagon by defect in highway, . .	4 00
French Smith, bounty on one hawk,	20
Hiram Clark, 2 straps for hearse, .	50
Jesse M. Young, cash paid out on hearse,	1 25
J. C. Hobbs, for collecting town taxes,	50 00
J. C. Hobbs, for collecting school- house tax,	5 00

\$664 46

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid John A. Brown, as per bill, . . .	\$5 00
Thomas A. Palmer, " . . .	15 20
Charles H. Smith, " . . .	5 25
John Ewer, " . . .	2 85
Levi Bean, " 1878, . . .	3 00
Edmund T. Robie, " . . .	1 50

Paid Orestes I. Bean, as per bill.		\$6 90
Daniel D. McDonald, "		5 00
John W. Bean, "		6 55
Jonathan Pillsbury, " Dis. No. 2,		8 65
" " " " 11,		1 20
H. L. McDuffee, "		4 57
Chas. W. Towle, "		4 12
True Eaton, "		5 55
Joseph Hubbard, "		13 80
Jesse W. Sargent, "		4 50
E. D. Eaton, " 1876,		1 50
Levi D. Smith, "		5 00
Frank P. Langford, "		12 70
Daniel F. Emerson, "		4 50
Jesse R. Fitts, "		10 65
Cyrus W. Truell, "		5 00
Edmund E. Smith, "		3 15
Joseph C. Smith, "		5 25
Abraham L. Barker, "		1 94
Isaiah S. Lang, "		3 10
James Adams, "		3 00
S. G. W. Patten, "		9 87
Dudley Lougee, "		7 00
James Varnum, "		75
Samuel Gile, "		21 47
John F. Neal, " 1878,		4 50
" " 1879,		6 75
		<hr/> \$199 77

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Barney Donnelly, poll tax in 1875	
and 1876, and over tax on stock,	\$3 76
L. S. Munroe, dog tax money,	2 00
John Brown, over tax,	1 00
Porter O. Kent, dog tax (had none),	1 00

Paid John Abbott, loss of cow,	\$0 48
Geo. W. Willey, over tax in 1877,	1 72
Lewis Simons, over tax on lumber,	11 60
Geo. W. Willey, dog tax (had none),	1 00
H. L. McDuffee, over tax in 1876,	1 72
William Robinson's heirs, 1877, tax by request,	8 31
J. L. Barker, loss of horse,	1 32
Robert Clark, " "	35
Robert Clark, dog tax 1876 (had none)	1 00
Benjamin Cass, Jr., loss of cattle,	1 76
Jesse R. Towle, loss of cow,	53
William Welch, over tax,	1 76
John Smith, loss of cow,	53
J. L. Barker, loss of two horses in 1875,	2 22
M. V. B. Smith heirs, over tax,	4 93
Jefferson Griffin, poll tax (over seven- ty), 1876 and 1877,	3 28
Joseph D. French, loss of cow,	35
Moses F. Emerson, interest on taxes abated,	1 77
Abatements on Moses F. Emerson's list :	
Joseph D. Bean,	\$2 62
William Robinson's heirs,	3 12
Geo. W. Hartford,	1 56
Charles Bean,	1 56
John T. Morrill,	2 62
Henry C. Bussell,	1 62
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Melinda Dearborn,	1 50
Lewis Simons, over tax 1878,	3 52
J. C. Hobbs, abatements on 1877 list :	
Frank Murry,	\$4 02
Charles F. Smith,	1 72

Christopher T. Boyce, . . .	\$1 72	
Rufus M. Boyce, . . .	1 72	
Edwin N. Martin, . . .	1 72	
Geo. W. Hartford, . . .	1 72	
Mesel Lewis, . . .	1 72	
Geo. F. Case, . . .	1 72	
Frank W. Davis, . . .	1 72	
Albert H. Yeoman, . . .	1 72	
Jesse W. Lougee, . . .	1 72	
Marcellus B. Morrison, . . .	1 72	
Charles Bean, . . .	1 72	
John C. Brown, . . .	1 72	
Woodbury A. Davis, . . .	1 99	
Thadeus Colby, . . .	13 64	
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		<hr/> \$112 52

SCHOOL FUND.

District No. 1, Benjamin P. Sanborn, . .	\$280 28	
District No. 2, Asa S. Dutton, . . .	131 83	
District No. 3, Edmund E. Smith, . . .	178 99	
District No. 4, Charles H. Turner, . . .	66 00	
District No. 4, Moses F. Emerson, . . .	88 27	
District No. 5, George W. Trickey, . . .	87 51	
District No. 6, John T. Nelson, . . .	114 55	
District No. 7, David B. Hall, . . .	109 05	
District No. 8, Isaiah S. Lang, . . .	88 48	
District No. 9, John K. Moore, . . .	198 73	
District No. 10, Joseph F. Young, . . .	118 80	
District No. 11, Joseph W. Langford, . . .	87 27	
District No. 12, George B. Brown, . . .	93 70	
District No. 13, H. L. McDuffee, . . .	75 02	
District No. 14, Addison S. Smith, . . .	68 53	
John Currier, Deerfield, . . .	1 83	
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LAW SUITS AND ROAD CASE.

Paid county commissioners in matter of discontinuance of Candia and Hooksett road case,	\$117 15
Annie L. Lake for damage on high- way and costs,	85 00
H. H. Luce for damage on highway	15 00
Frank P. Langford for witness and traveling fees to Hooksett, . . .	3 55
H. E. Burnham for collecting school fund for E. E. Smith,	8 54
	————— \$229 24

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Julia A. Eaton, principal and interest, .	\$102 80
S. E. Gilman, “ “ .	1008 33
“ “ “ .	734 04
Betsy G. Merrill, “ “ .	52 72
Edward W. Hall, “ “ .	1256 25
Sarah E. Merrill, “ “ .	87 33
Geo. F. Robinson, part principal, . .	35 00
Congregational society, interest, . .	100 00
Elizabeth T. Brown, “ . .	30 50
S. E. Gilman, “ . .	86 55
William Cushing, “ . .	30 00
Jesse M. Young, “ . .	115 00
Judith T. Currier, “ . .	65 00
Lydia Dolber, “ . .	50 00
John Rowe, “ . .	40 78
Eugene W. Healey, “ . .	10 00
Josiah M. Fitts, “ . .	23 50
Edmund Hill, “ . .	25 00
Orthodox church, “ . .	50 00
Charles W. Towle, “ . .	20 00

Jesse R. Towle,	interest,.	.	.	27	50
Nancy Towle,	"	.	.	5	00
Albert Bean,	"	.	.	20	83
Daniel B. Robinson's heirs	"	.	.	9	05
Sarah W. E. Hill,	"	.	.	26	85
Joseph W. Langford,	"	.	.	30	00
Deborah Hall,	"	.	.	5	00
Ingalls Bunker,	"	.	.	107	25
Jacob S. Merrill,	"	.	.	189	86
Charles S. Bickford,	"	.	.	59	83
Judith T. Dearborn,	"	.	.	30	00
Melinda Dearborn,	"	.	.	110	00
Daniel S. Bean,	"	.	.	133	01
Bradley C. Bean,	"	.	.	75	83
Benjamin Taylor,	"	.	.	91	12
Almira S. Taylor,	"	.	.	48	85
Cornelius Regan,	"	.	.	6	30
Arthur C. Bean,	"	.	.	2	50
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					\$4901 58

RECAPITULATION.

Pauper expenses,	\$497	23
Roads and bridges,	239	87
Miscellaneous,	664	46
Breaking roads,	.	.	.	.	.	199	77
Abatements,	.	.	.	.	.	112	52
School fund,	1788	84
Law suits and road case,	229	24
Notes and interest,	4901	58
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							\$8633 51

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By sundry orders on Treasurer,	\$8633	51
Settled as above,							

PLUMER W. SANBORN,
FRANK P. BROWN,

Selectmen of Candia.

CANDIA, March 4, 1879.

This day examined the accounts of the Selectmen of the town of Candia for the year past as presented to us, and find them correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the same.

WILLIAM CRANE,

J. LANE FITTS,

ASA S. DUTTON,

Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The town of Candia in account with the Treasurer.

Paid State tax for the year 1878, . . .	\$1180 00
County " " . . .	1615 11
School-house tax in District No. 12, . . .	60 00
Abraham Emerson, balance between notes,	12 06
Sundry orders of Selectmen,	8633 51
	\$11,500 68

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand March 1st, 1878,	\$3370 34
Savings bank tax,	1407 95
Railroad tax,	111 89
Literary fund	111 37
County for support of Gamaliel Drew, . . .	78 00
" " Hannah Turner, . . .	38 00
" " Mrs. John Robie, . . .	26 00
" " Rachel Rollo, . . .	14 71
" " Marcellus B. Mor-	
rison,	12 55
County for — " Peter St. Johns, . . .	24 00
" " Mitchel Riverts, . . .	22 00
" " Otis Woodward, . . .	12 89
" " Joseph B. Roberts, . . .	27 75
Nancy Towle,	200 00
Benjamin Taylor,	500 00

Daniel S. Bean,	. . . . .	\$500 00
Edward W. Hall,	. . . . .	1250 00
Sally Hall,	. . . . .	250 00
George W. Miller,	. . . . .	1250 00
Emeline L. Colcord,	. . . . .	100 00
Mary Smith,	. . . . .	50 00
True Eaton, for use of hearse out of town,		8 00
Wm. Crane, balance on lots in cemetery,		41 17
Moses T. Emerson, on note,	. . . . .	400 00
Jonathan C. Hobbs, balance of 1877 tax,		2367 80
Jonathan C. Hobbs, interest on 1877 tax,		
to time of payment,	. . . . .	52 08
Jonathan C. Hobbs, tax list of 1878,		3947 57
Jonathan C. Hobbs, interest on 1878		
taxes, paid and unpaid in full to March		
1, 1879,	. . . . .	62 00
Amount received	. . . . .	————— \$16,236 07
Amount paid out,	. . . . .	11,500 68
		—————
Cash in hands of Treasurer,		\$4,735 39

EDMUND R. INGALLS, *Treasurer.*

TOWN DEBT.

Notes outstanding against the town,	. . . . .	\$26,281 00
Interest due on the same to March 1,		
1879,	. . . . .	854 06
		————— \$27,135 06

ASSETS.

John W. Cate, note and interest, . . .	\$761 60
William B. Thorn,	66 92
Moses F. Emerson, balance on note, . .	530 96
Balance in hands of J. C. Hobbs, un- collected.	2674 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	4735 39
Town debt less assets,	————— \$18,366 18

EDMUND R. INGALLS,
PLUMER W. SANBORN,
FRANK P. BROWN,
Selectmen of Candia.

CANDIA, March 4, 1879.

This day examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the town of Candia, and find them correctly cast with proper vouchers for the disbursements, with a balance in cash in the treasury of one thousand and thirty-five dollars and thirty-nine cents (1,035.39), leaving a deficit of thirty-seven hundred dollars (\$3700).

WILLIAM CRANE,
J. LANE FITTS,
ASA S. DUTTON,
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWN OF CANDIA.

Fellow Citizens: We respectfully submit to you this, our annual report of the condition and progress of our schools for the year ending March 1, 1879.

In regard to the condition of our schools, your committee believe they will compare favorably in progress, discipline and interest with former years; and that our boys and girls are becoming as thorough students as the average in towns about us, yet there is room for still greater improvement and a more enlarged interest on the part of all those interested in our public schools.

It is eminently essential that teachers, parents and guardians should consider their responsibility in the all important work of training and developing the youthful mind. But the field of suggestion is so wide, we can give but a pointed idea thereof, and submit our report with a painful sense of our unfitness to do justice to those whom we serve.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

This school during the summer and fall terms has been under the instructions of Miss Laura A. Barnham of Union Village, Vermont. That there has been an interest in this school has been shown by the fact that this has been the third consecutive

year that the same teacher has been employed, and by the visitors' register there were 109 different visits made by committee and others during the two terms. Any school is fortunate to secure the services of such an efficient and practical teacher of experience, and those districts that retain such teachers for several terms are sure to be rewarded by successful schools, and the scholars will be filled with enthusiasm, and a marked improvement and advancement will be the result. On account of a previous engagement at Raymond, Miss Burnham left before all the money was expended, and finding it impracticable to return during the winter, a short term is being taught by C. R. Rowe.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

The summer term, Miss Lottie J. Moore, of Oberlin, Ohio, teacher ; This teacher possessed many amiable qualities of mind and heart. Although inexperienced in teaching, yet in her modest and unassuming manner, manifested a good degree of love for school work, and gained the good will of all her pupils, and doubtless all make commendable progress. A little more grit as well as grace on the part of the teacher would have made the school appear to better advantage.

Fall term was given to Miss Jennie L. Butler, of Newton, Mass. She came to us with some experience in teaching, passed a very satisfactory examination, and proved herself in the school room to be an excellent scholar.

The fidelity and earnestness she manifested were very commendable. The scholars who were at the examination showed that thorough progress had been made. Miss Butler did not claim perfection in managing this school, and unjust criticisms have been made.

It should be borne in mind that it requires but little ability, wit or intelligence to discover faults or imperfections in the acts of others, no matter what their position or ability may be ; and those who lay claim to sagacity and capacity on account of shrewdness in detecting faults in others, will not usually care to have a close investigation of their own.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The summer term was in charge of Miss Mary L. Brown, who appeared duly interested in performing her duties, and to merit success; but by visiting the school, found the deportment very unsatisfactory. The scholars took advantage of the better nature of the teacher, and many of them sought to have their own way in everything; then after six weeks trial, upon some unwise suggestion, the teacher began to govern with a raw-hide. It was too late then to govern either by kindness or the lash, so several left the school, and at the examination only about one-half the pupils were present; the most of them had been interested in the school, and had learned well. It was unfortunate for Miss Brown that she engaged this school. Doubtless she would have been more judicious and enjoyed herself much better in some other district where she was not so well acquainted.

Miss Lizzie S. Pickering of Newington was teacher of the winter term, and proved herself mistress of the situation: she seemed perfectly at home in the schoolroom, there was life and activity: sluggishness and idleness were banished, self-respect and close attention to duty were plainly written on every countenance.

The success of this term is due, in a great degree, to the hearty co-operation of every parent and pupil.

The class in Colburn's arithmetic analyzed those examples to perfect satisfaction. The writing books, map drawing, and reading classes showed that special interest had been taken in those branches. If the prizes awarded and the previous drill of certain pupils upon *particular examples* for examination day, had been omitted, your committee would have seen but little else to criticise.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

The schools for the year have been taught by Mrs. Julia A. Eaton, who labored hard and faithfully and made the schools a

success. Whole number of daily recitations 42. With so many classes no teacher can find sufficient time for explanation of the rules and principles taken up in the various studies. The scholars were ambitious to excel. Carrie L. Emerson, Jennie A. Palmer and Addie M. Turner did not misspell a single word during the year.

The following statistics were received from one of the oldest residents of the district :

The inhabitants of this district consist of five distinct nationalities, of which the foreign element take as lively an interest in the welfare of the schools, and their children have maintained as high standing, as the Americans.

The whole number of teachers raised in the district, forty-two; thirteen of these have taught more or less in the district, eight have graduated at Dartmouth College, and have pursued a professional life.

There never has been a quarrel of any kind to affect the schools. No teacher or scholar has ever been expelled from school, or the committee ever called in to settle any difficulty. There never was a person raised here who ever saw the inside of a prison or jail as a criminal, and but two ever taken to the alms-house. What district can show a better record ?

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Summer term taught by Miss Jessie A. S. Dolber. Although the smallest school in town, yet the closing exercises showed that the teacher and scholars had been busy as bees, and we judge by the earnest attention given that all the visitors present were highly entertained and gratified at the results manifested. Miss Dolber possesses many of the essential requisites for a first-class teacher, and with more study and experience will doubtless be second to none in our schools.

The winter term was under the instruction of Miss Mary L. Philbrick of Deerfield, a graduate from our State Normal School. On opening this term we found that the majority of scholars in the district were to attend other schools in town.

To encourage the teacher and those four scholars who preferred to stay at home, nine from other districts were admitted. The teacher was ambitious to merit success, and by her untiring efforts and the uncommon earnestness of the scholars, this term was a decided success. Miss Philbrick gave all her time, day and evening, for the benefit of the school, consequently the pupils made thorough, and some of them rapid progress. We earnestly recommend that all differences of opinion existing in this district, in regard to school matters, may be harmonized and satisfactorily adjusted before another term opens.

That parents should send their children to other public schools while their own school is in session, is deplorable, and should not be permitted without just cause. Such a course is detrimental to the social, intellectual and moral interests of a community.

On whatever other points we disagree, we ought to be united in school matters, because their influences are so far-reaching in the minds of the young.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

This school for the year has been taught by Mrs. Augusta J. Fitts. The scholars here on our first visit seemed dull and inattentive, but by subsequent visits found that they were improving, and the exercises at the close of the summer term were quite satisfactory, notwithstanding the thermometer was in the nineties.

The government of the school has been mild but effectual. But few teachers have felt the responsibility of their position as Mrs. Fitts has. The influence of a teacher whose soul is in her work, and whose natural and acquired abilities have been crowned with a wise experience, cannot be over estimated.

If all our children were trained to habits of respectful obedience at home, many of the trials and vexations incident to a teacher's life would be alleviated.

How many parents, after years of experience, fail to secure prompt and unquestioning obedience at home, and yet expect

the teacher to secure that result with a whole neighborhood of irrepressibles.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The summer and fall terms were under the instructions of Miss Mary M. Grady, of Suncook. She came to this district with only one term's experience in teaching, but by diligence and perseverance, conjoined with a willingness to receive and act upon suggestions, succeeded not only in gaining the good will of her pupils, but in quickening thoughts in their minds, and making thorough progress in the various branches taught.

If all are not satisfied with the results, we conclude that they are hard to please.

A hundred years are vanished,
 And yet with memories dear
 The "North Road" school-house still remains,
 The hearts of the old to cheer.
 And there, when the thoughtful youth
 Sits gazing by the fire,
 He sees in curious sculpture
 The ideas of his sire.

The old shell has served its purpose,
 And in its day was good ;
 But now the antique structure
 We think too long has stood.
 And so to end the matter,
 We say with proper grace,
 Another house you ought to build,
 To take the old one's place.

Now when you build the new one,
 With furniture complete,
 Won't you set it from the road
 No less than fifty feet ?

So when the hardy youth
 Disport themselves with so much zest,
 To neighbors and to passers-by
 They may not seem a pest.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Summer term taught by Miss Annie S. Batchelder of Derry. The term opened well; the teacher and scholars seemed ambitious to make it a profitable school. If the teacher had exercised a more judicious command, instead of trying to please simply, the improvement made would have been more apparent.

The winter term was under the instruction of Wm. H. Gardiner, a graduate of Dartmouth College, who, having some experimental knowledge in the practical duties of a teacher, proved himself an excellent disciplinarian, and showed the advantage of instructing by ideas rather than words. To enlarge rather than confine strictly to text-book questions is very important in calling the thought of the pupils to the practical applications of knowledge. The collateral information given in connection with the reading classes was very gratifying. In spelling and writing we noticed marked improvement.

The following remarks were found as a supplement to the register by Mr. Gardiner:

With regret I close my school work in this district. During the term it appeared as though sickness and stormy weather would take away nearly half of the scholars before its close. The interest of the scholars, and the kindness of some of the parents, helped to remove one difficulty, and a kind Providence the other. It is a source of gratification that, at the close of the term, there were no hard feelings between any of the scholars and the teacher, as is sometimes the case. This winter term will always be remembered with pleasure, for the general good deportment, cheerful obedience, studiousness, and interest of the scholars. If any criticism is to be made, it is, that parents did not visit the school during the term, and judge of the scholars' as well as the teacher's work.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

This school for the year has been under the instruction of Miss Juliette S. Smith of Northwood. Miss Smith is a wide-awake, enthusiastic teacher. In the summer term all the scholars were duly interested, order good, recitations prompt and distinct. During the winter term there was a little friction between the teacher and some of the large boys, but the right kind of *lubricator* was employed, so after that all the machinery of the school-room moved smoothly and the scholars did themselves credit at the examination by the interest manifested and their ready answers.

During the summer term two of the best scholars (Misses Morse) moved to Fisherville, and the angel of death took one little boy (Bertie Foster) to the higher life.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Miss Alice D. Bean has been the teacher for the year. She labored with a good degree of fidelity and earnestness, and seemed to have the general approbation of the parents and the good will of the scholars. We can truly say that "she hath done what she could." On account of the intense cold and the condition of roads, only about one-half of the scholars were present at the examination of the winter term, but those present showed that it had been a profitable term to them.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Mrs. M. J. Dolber, teacher for summer and fall terms. The scholars in this district have been under excellent discipline, and have made fine progress in the various branches of study pursued.

The recitations in geography, reading and Colburn's arithmetic were very gratifying. The deportment of all the scholars at each visit, after the first, was very commendable. The school-room in this district is furnished with outline maps, and they have been used to good advantage. An excellent teacher and a very promising school.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Miss Abbie E. Muleken of Raymond made her *début* as teacher of the summer term, which was only five weeks, so no great success or disastrous failure could be expected. We were pleased with the first week of school, but the closing exercises proved that the teacher had lowered her standard of discipline and self-deportment, which was a disadvantage to the school. The fall term, through the urgent request of his friends, was taken in charge by J. S. Emerson, a student of Bridgewater Normal School, Mass.

Mr. Emerson's methods of instruction are new and very practical. He has the happy faculty of making a difficult point clear in the fewest words possible. The examination exceeded our highest anticipations, in finding the scholars so thoroughly disciplined in habits, thoughts and expression, and by finding here the best scholar in all our schools as a pupil; also their appreciation of the teacher by the presentation of a valuable writing desk.

The parents pronounced it the best school they had had for years.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Only one term for the year, which was taught by Miss Nellie F. Dolber; she manifested a good degree of industry, and by her fidelity and pleasing manners won the esteem of her pupils, and, doubtless, all of them would have made commendable advancement if they could have found time to attend school with any regularity.

No school can prosper when the pupils are allowed to remain out of school from one-fourth to one-half of the time. The parents of this district should use their best endeavors to allow nothing but sickness to deter their children from attending school every day while it is in session.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

The schools in this district have been successfully taught by Mrs. Clara A. Nelson. She has governed entirely by the law of

kindness, the highest good of every pupil was carefully sought for, consequently the teacher is held in the highest esteem by all her pupils. Two-thirds of the scholars were not absent a single half day or tardy during the summer term. No school in town has shown so good a record in this respect as this.

By an act of the last legislature the Selectmen and S. S. Com. were authorized to purchase the new State map; accordingly fourteen maps have been purchased at an expense of seventy dollars (\$70), to be taken out of next years' school fund. We need more globes, outline maps and books of reference.

Through the earnest efforts of a lady in Dist. No. 3, Webster's Unabridged Dictionary has been given to that school. May others go and do likewise.

We need more male teachers in our winter schools. We want to call your attention to the fact that the majority of our teachers have been from out of town. Can you afford to have it so? Why not give your sons and daughters the benefit of a course of study at our State Normal School, where they may be trained and fitted for the profession of teaching. There are many things combined which tend to hinder the growth and usefulness of our schools; things often hinted at but little heeded. Could we but engage the interest and co-operation of parents and guardians, sufficient to secure the constant and punctual attendance of all the pupils, we think a very great point would be gained; but tardiness and absence still operate as a hindrance to progress. A few of our scholars have not been absent or tardy for the year, others only when compelled by sickness, which is a misfortune not a fault.

As an incentive to all who may attend school the year to come, we insert the names of those who have been neither absent nor tardy during the year, as taken from the school registers.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Alice Watson, Mabel Haynes, Albert Turner, Eddie Turner, Mary E. Harrington, Celinda A. Nelson, Jennie W. Nelson, George Smith, Bertie Smith, Earl Dearborn, Mattie Thomson, Adin Roberts, Carrie B. Rowe, Edward L. Rowe, Carrie F. Emerson, Nellie M. Emerson.

NO. OF DIS- TRICTS.	NAMES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.	SCHOOL MONEY.
No. 1,	Benjamin P. Sanborn,	\$280 28
2,	Asa S. Dutton,	131 83
3,	Edmund E. Smith,	178 99
4,	Moses F. Emerson,	154 27
5,	George W. Trickey,	87 51
6,	John T. Nelson,	114 55
7,	David B. Hall,	109 05
8,	Isaiah S. Lang,	88 44
14,	John Currier, (South Deerfield.)	36 00
9,	John K. Moore,	198 73
10,	J. Freeman Young,	118 80
11,	J. Walton Langford,	87 27
4,	Dwight Roberts, (Raymond.)	40 00
12,	George B. Brown,	93 70
13,	H. Lorenzo McDuffee,	75 02
14,	Adison S. Smith,	68 53
DEERFIELD,	.	1 83
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STATISTICAL REPORT.

No. of District.	Names of teachers.	Amount paid for teaching each school.	Wages pr. month	Length of school in weeks for the year.	No. boys attending school.	No. Girls attending school.	Average No. of pupils during the year.	Average daily attendance.	Percentage of attendance.
1	Laura A. Burnham.....	\$204 80	\$32 00	25.60	19	17	30.50	27	.88
2	Lottie J. Moore, 1st Term.....	36 00	18 00	24	8	7	12.16	9.46	.77
	L. Jennie Butler.....	80 00	20 00						
3	Mary L. Brown, 1st Term.....	60 00	24 00	10	11	13	21	20	.92
	S. Lizzie Pickering.....	96 00	32 00	12					
4	Julia A. Eaton.....	138 00	24 00	23	18	10	24.5	22.5	.92
5	Jessie A. S. Dolber, 1st Term.	140 00	20 00	13	7	6	6.75	6.11	.85
	Mary L. Philbrick.....	149 50	22 00						
6	Augusta J. Fitts.....	110 00	20 00	21	9	17	24.83	22 37	.90
7	Mary M. Grady.....	74 25	30 50 42 75	16	9	5	11.82	11.32	.96
8	Annie S. Bachelder.....	*30 00	*12 00	10	7	9	15	13.71	.95
	William H. Gardiner.....	96 00	32 00	12					
9	Juliette S. Smith.....	175 50	27 00	26	17	14	28	25 75	.92
10	Alice D. Bean.....	108 00	16 00	27	13	15	26.2	24.1	.92
11	M. J. Dolber.....	99 28	23 36	17	13	15	25.50	24	.90
12	A. E. Muleken, 1st Term.....	17 50	14 00	5	5	12	14.48	12.91	.86
	John S. Emerson.....	65 00	20 00	13					
13	Nellie F. Dolber.....	75 00	20 00	15	8	8	12.76	11.76	.88
14	Clara A. Nelson.....	*57 75	11 00	21	4	8	11.70	10.89	.92
	Total	\$1642 58	\$452 61	290.60	147	156	266.10	231.90	.87

* Excluding board.

There have been 147 different boys and 156 different girls, (including all ages) attending school; and by the Selectmen's report there are in town, between the ages of 4 and 14 years, 121 boys and 118 girls.

HIGH SCHOOLS.

There are two schools in successful operation; one at the usual place on the Hill; teacher, Wm. H. Gardiner, A. B. Through the enterprise of Woodbury J. Dudley, a large and commodious hall has been fitted up, and on the 10th of February was dedicated, with appropriate exercises, to the cause of education. The following morning the second school was opened under very favorable auspices; teacher, John S. Emerson.

In reviewing the work of the schools for the past year, we do not think or claim that all has been done that might have been done for their improvement and elevation. The Superintendent has made 85 different visits to the schools; has had meetings of the teachers several times, for the purpose of conference and instruction respecting the studies and modes of teaching. At our last public meeting, Nov. 12th, the interview was graced by the presence of Rev. C. A. Downs, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who also delivered an address on the occasion to a large and appreciative audience.

We have carefully watched the doings of the teachers and pupils, gladly encouraging and commending the right, and freely criticising what has appeared erroneous, striving to do what we could to raise the moral tone of the schools and make them more efficient workers together for good.

It is for us to do our utmost that our schools may not have a man or woman for teacher or an officer who is not worthy, in every respect, of the highest honor and esteem of the community.

The influence a teacher exerts is wide spread, and it is of the utmost importance that it be right. We believe it is as much a part of the teacher's duty to help form the moral character of his pupils as to instruct them from the text-books. Too little is done in our schools to inspire our youth with the desire to possess an incorruptible character. This should be constantly

held before them as the noblest of all possessions, without which the education of the intellect will be of little value to themselves or to the community.

We shudder at the developements of vice and crime, and are amazed on account of corruption in high places, and tremble for the stability of our free institutions. In the public schools we find the bulwark and the hope of the nation. We therefore most earnestly call upon our teachers, upon parents, and all interested in the well doing and well being of our youth, to use their utmost endeavors to plant in their minds the seeds of truth, integrity, and nobleness of character, and to inspire them with a love for moral excellence. Let them see in our lives, as well as in our instructions, the beauty of a character founded upon the immortal principles of truth and righteousness.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES R. ROWE, *Superintendent.*

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